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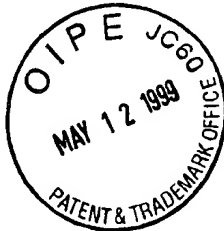
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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No. 08/896,053; Filed: July 17, 1997  
For: **Method of Inducing Vasodilation and Treating Pulmonary  
Hypertension Using Adenoviral-Mediated Transfer of the Nitric  
Oxide Synthase Gene**  
Inventors: JANSSENS *et al.*  
Our Ref: 0609.4280001

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Fee Transmittal (PTO/SB/17);
2. First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
3. Form PTO 1449 (3 sheets, citing 6 documents);
4. Cited 6 documents;
5. SKG&F Check No. 24385 for \$240.00 to cover IDS fee; and
6. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	78	202	39	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	260	204	130	Multiple dependant claim
108	78	209	39	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
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139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	380	216	190	Extension for reply within second month	
117	870	217	435	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,360	218	680	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,850	228	925	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	300	219	150	Notice of Appeal	
120	300	220	150	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	260	221	130	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,210	241	605	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,210	242	605	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	430	243	215	Design issue fee	
144	580	244	290	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	240	126	240	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	240.00
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149	760	249	380	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	

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